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General Council

The program for the General Council of Congregational and Christian Churches to be held in Oberlin, Ohio, June 21st-27th, has been announced. Daily devotions will be led by Rev. Boynton Merrill, and the council lecturer will be Professor Douglas Clyde Macintosh. Ten seminars will be held simultaneously every forenoon, embracing the following subjects: Peace, Church Attendance and Stewardship, the Ministry, Christian Higher Education, Missions, the Social Gospel, Rural Life, Theology, Religious Education and Evangelism, and Race Relations. The Annual Meetings of the American Board and Home Board take their places as parts of the general program. The Council preacher will be Rev. Ashley Day Leavitt.

Those most frequently mentioned for the office of Moderator are: Professor W. E. Hocking, Rev. J. T. Stocking, and Rev. S. Parkes Cadman.

Delegates will be housed and fed in the dormitories and dining halls of Oberlin College at the cost of \$2.00 per day. Not for many years have railroad rates been so cheap. Coach fare round trip can be had for \$72.00, and with clergy permit \$45.78 from San Francisco.

ENCORE

Here is a suggestion which would make the heart of almost any pastor happy. The laymen of the Pioneer Church of Sacramento, at the close of a Sunday morning service recently, told Rev. Lawrence Wilson, their pastor, that they would like to have him meet with them. A spokesman then proceeded to tell the pastor that they wanted him to get out of town, and not only to get out of town but to get out of the state and to stay out a while. Whereupon a very substantial sum was handed to the pastor to pay his expenses to the General Council at Oberlin, the free and glad expression of loyalty and appreciation.

W. W. Furze Elected Conference Treasurer

Mr. Paul W. Conant, who was elected Treasurer of the Conference last Autumn, and who has served with willingness and great efficiency, has resigned because of the possibility of his leaving San Francisco in the near future.

At the May meeting of the Board, Rev. W. Wallace Furze was elected to fill the vacancy. Mr. Furze, who is a regularly ordained minister of the Congregational Church, is manager of A. G. Spalding & Bros., and a member of Plymouth Church, Oakland. Mr. Furze has been interested for years in the work of the Conference and the Bay Association, and it is with great satisfaction to the Conference staff to be able to announce him for this new office.

HAS THE TIDE TURNED?

The first sign of a possible turning of the tide in benevolence giving has come in a report prepared by Dr. Charles E. Burton during the past month. Figures collected from the American Board, the Home Board, and the State Conferences, indicate a gain of gifts for the first four months of the year of \$21,000, or 11.4 per cent over that of the first four months of 1933.

While the friends of missions will hope that this is the beginning of better days, there are two factors which we had best keep in mind before we regard the victory as won.

First. The heavier payments always occur in the latter part of the year, the first four months rendering less than 15 per cent of the total, and

Second. The period a year ago included the bank moratorium when all movement of funds had practically ceased.

A life-long smoker lets us in on the secret of his "swearing off." His purpose is to restore those differences which have always constituted the chief charm of womanhood. So he says, "Let them puff and blow their smoke down on us while we seek some other mark for the masculine. Smoking is no longer a manly art. It has become too effeminate. Let us leave it to the ladies."—The Pioneer, Sacramento.

COME TO ASILOMAR, SURE

ADULTS INVITED

Ministers, counsellors, and leaders of youth are invited to register for the course for adults which is being arranged by Director E. T. Sherman, to be given in connection with the Young People's Conference at Asilomar. This will be a seminar course for those beyond college age, who work with young people. Many are looking to this course for ideas and plans for the coming year. Plan to spend July 28th to August 5th, with your young people at Asilomar.

TWO BANNERS

A banner is given for the largest delegation from any one church. Another is given for the largest figure represented by the combined mileage traveled by any church group, reckoned by the shortest route from their church. Lodi won both banners last year.

ASILOMAR

Near Pacific Grove.
Available by auto or train.
Live in tent-houses.
Swimming pool on grounds.
Tennis courts.
Work is done by "Stuck-ups" and "Pirates."
Grounds owned by Young Women's Christian Association.

LET US ALL JOIN HANDS

The following pledge of the "Legion of Decency" is being circulated in all Roman Catholic Churches. There are no dues and no meetings. Just millions of Americans pledging themselves individually to rid the country of its greatest menace—the salacious motion picture. What better can Protestants do than to join in this effort? Already the motion picture barons are deeply concerned. They have insisted that they are giving the American people what they want. Shall not all Christians, Catholics or Protestants, join in this protest and thereby show that indecent films are emphatically not wanted?

PLEDGE OF THE LEGION OF DECENCY

(Sign and give to your Pastor)

I wish to join the Legion of Decency, which condemns vile and unwholesome moving pictures. I unite with all who protest against them as a grave menace to youth, to home life, to country and to religion.

I condemn absolutely those salacious motion pictures which, with other degrading agencies, are corrupting public morals and promoting a sex mania in our land.

I shall do all that I can to arouse public opinion against the portrayal of vice as a normal condition of affairs, and against depicting criminals of any class as heroes and heroines, presenting their filthy philosophy of life as something acceptable to decent men and women.

I unite with all who condemn the display of suggestive advertisements on bill-boards, at theatre entrances and in newspapers, and the favorable reviews often given to immoral motion pictures in the daily press.

Considering these evils, I hereby promise to remain away from all motion pictures except those which do not offend decency and Christian morality. I promise further to secure as many members as possible for the Legion of Decency.

I make this protest in a spirit of self-respect, and with the conviction that the American public does not demand filthy pictures, but clean entertainment and educational features.

NAME.....

No dues whatever for the Legion of Decency.

No meetings.

Millions of Americans, pledging themselves individually, can rid the country of its greatest menace—the salacious motion picture.

Every Church, though never before, Represented in '34.

The Tenth Annual Summer Conference dates are, Saturday, July 28th, to Saturday, August 4th.

The registration fee is \$2.00 if paid before July 15th. After that it is \$2.50.

Registration cards and programs will be mailed to pastors and counsellors as soon as they are printed—in plenty of time to get in on the early registration.

Rev. E. T. Sherman of Lodi is Conference Director.

Rev. James H. Price of San Francisco is Registrar and Director of Promotion.

THE PROGRAM

The study program will cover in general:

The Religion of Jesus.
The Use of the Bible.
Missions and World Friendship.
Life Problems of Youth.
Social Relations.
Methods of Religious Work.
The Program of Christianity.
Young People and the Church.

SPEAKING CONTEST

"Jesus and . . ." has been selected as the topic to be used in the young people's public speaking contest for which finals will be held at the Asilomar conference. The blank space in the topic is to be filled in by the contestant with his own thought, such as "Politics," "War," "Poverty," "the Old Testament," etc. Each church and district is urged to hold its own contest, eliminating all except two—one for the high school age, and another for the college age. The two winners from each church will compete at Asilomar. Speeches are limited to ten minutes. Every member of every society is urged to participate. Ask your minister or counsellor to appoint three judges and then proceed with the contest in your own way. Send in the names of the winners to the conference office. If you are to have no local contest, select your two speakers and send their names to Rev. James H. Price at the Conference office.

GOLD STARS

Most of the young people's societies that pledged toward our missionary work at the 1933 Conference have paid part or all of their pledges, rating a red or a gold star respectively. Is your society "among the Gold"? Information about our projects may be obtained from Mrs. James H. Price, Young People's Secretary of the Women's Federation.

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WORK GOES ON

Many of our people heard with regret amounting almost to alarm of the action of the Conference Board in April discontinuing the work of Miss Mary Coxhead among the Indians of Modoc County. For some time Miss Coxhead has planned to continue her education, and had requested a leave of absence. On account of the mounting deficit of the Conference, and the difficulty of securing some one to take Miss Coxhead's place who would get hold of the work quickly, it was decided to discontinue a full time missionary beginning July 1st. Superintendent Gill visited Modoc County during May, and at Miss Coxhead's suggestion presented to the women of the Missionary Society of our Alturas Church the project of maintaining a friendly interest with the Indians of that locality. The pastor, Rev. J. K. Ballou, cordially endorsed the plan and agreed to co-operate. A number of the members of the society were interviewed and agreed to undertake the work. Final action will be taken by the society in the near future, and it is anticipated that the decision will be favorable. Committees will visit in the homes of the Indians and will distribute clothing, toys, books, etc., which the churches of our Conference will continue to send. All packages should be addressed to Rev. J. K. Ballou, Alturas, California. The income from the special Indian Fund will be used by the women for relief purposes. It is hoped that our churches will continue their splendid co-operation.

LABOR OF LOVE

With their own hands Ilocano Christians in Lupon, Mindanao, Philippine Islands, have built out of native materials—bamboo, cogon grass and hard wood—a beautiful little chapel. They asked Rev. Walter C. Tong of Davao to dedicate it. He found 100 church members. This group, under the leadership of a Christian teacher, had already become a power for good in the community. Mr. Tong baptized 30 persons, including five young men.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 21-27—National Council of Congregational Churches, Oberlin, Ohio.
June 23-27—47th Annual California Christian Endeavor Convention, Alameda.

July 28-August 4—Young People's Conference, Asilomar.

August 4-11—Missionary Education Conference, Asilomar.

October 16-18—State Conference, First Congregational Church, San Francisco.

S. C. Conference

The Southern California Conference was held at Riverside May 7th-9th. Although off center, as far as Congregational population is concerned, the attendance was large. Four hundred fifty had registered by Monday night, and many additional delegates came on Tuesday. The forenoon of each day was largely devoted to discussion in groups of Church Organization, Missions, Liquor Control, Motion Pictures, and Religious Education. Rev. A. D. Stauffacher of Claremont was the preacher. The Moderator for the coming year is Rev. Arthur O. Pritchard of Sierra Madre. Rev. Clarence Reidenbach of Oakland was guest speaker at one of the evening sessions. Superintendent Gill brought fraternal greetings from Northern California, and spoke at the Seminar on Church Organization. The Southern Conference has been crippled by a shrinking budget caused by the depression, and by the earthquake which cut the giving of some of the churches to a fraction of that of other days, but there was no note of defeat sounded by anyone. The mission in Mexico continues to be administered by the Conference office. Expressions of confidence in the leadership of Superintendent E. D. Gaylord and Rev. Beverly Oaten were unanimous and enthusiastic. Rev. Francis C. Ellis, pastor of the entertaining church, and at one time a student at the Pacific School of Religion, made an admirable host.

COUNCIL DELEGATION

Delegates to the General Council of Congregational and Christian Churches will be starting for Oberlin within a few days after this issue of The Pacific reaches its readers. There have been some changes in the list since the last issue. At the time of going to press the delegation appears to be as follows:

Rev. Ralph C. Waddell.....	1937
Mrs. H. F. Swartz.....	1935
Mr. C. M. Doozee.....	1935
Mrs. J. H. Price.....	1937
Bay Association:	
Rev. Gail Cleland.....	1937
Mrs. H. H. Gill.....	1937
Rev. J. H. McCartney.....	1935
Central Association:	
Rev. E. T. Sherman.....	1935
Santa Clara Association:	
Rev. H. S. Mahood.....	1937
San Joaquin Association:	
Rev. Cornelius Richert.....	1937
Upper Bay Association:	
Rev. C. C. Champlin.....	1937
Redwood Empire Association:	
Rev. G. E. Atkinson.....	1937
Sacramento Valley Association:	
Rev. Lawrence Wilson.....	1935
No report has been received from the German Conference.	
President of Pacific School of Religion:	
Rev. Herman F. Swartz.....	

The following persons, though not delegates, are expected to be in attendance: Mrs. Gail Cleland; Mrs. C. C. Champlin, Rev. James H. Price, Superintendent Harley H. Gill, Rev. E. F. W. Swan.

A NEW ARRIVAL

Rev. and Mrs. Horton Colbert and their friends in Oakland Pilgrim and Alturas are rejoicing with them because of the arrival of Carolyn Helen on May 24th.

NEW BOOK CLUB

For the fifth season, in September, the Pastors' Book Club will furnish to our pastors the use of from eight to ten books, and at the end one book to keep. The committee on selection found themselves faced with an unusual situation in that the choice of books by the members covered a very wide range, only two titles being requested by more than two persons. Several books by European writers are included.

The list selected follows, but it is understood that one or more of numbers, 8, 9 and 10 may be omitted if a sufficient number do not sign to complete the circles.

1. Luccock. Contemporary American Literature and Religion.
2. Baillie, John. The Life Everlasting.
3. Whitehead, A. E. Adventures of Ideas.
4. Engelbrecht & Hanighen. Merchants of Death.
5. Wobbermin, Georg. The Nature of Religion (translated from the German).
6. Chase, Stuart. The Economy of Abundance.
7. Bavink, Bernard. Science and God.
8. Schofield, Charles (editor). The Church Looks Ahead.
9. Oliver, John Rathbone. Psychiatry and Mental Health.
10. Baker. Christian Missions and a New World Culture.

The books will be mailed in September. The committee consisted of Rev. Clarence Reidenbach, Rev. Horton Colbert, and Superintendent Gill.

Dr. A. W. Mell

The Rev. A. Wesley Mell, secretary of the Pacific Agency of the American Bible Society, died at his home in Berkeley, California, on May 22nd. He was a member of the California Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mr. Mell had been connected with the American Bible Society since 1908. Under his supervision the work of Scripture distribution in his agency, which included the Pacific Coast states, Nevada, Hawaii, and Alaska, greatly increased. Mr. Mell inaugurated on the Pacific Coast daily noon-time reading of passages of the Scriptures over Station KYA in San Francisco. In observing recently the tenth anniversary of this service it was said to be the longest continuous daily broadcasting of any program in the United States.

"CACOYPA NEWS"

The conference office will soon be eligible for membership in the Typographical Union, if printing by mimeograph counts. Our latest publication is a four-page double-column bulletin issued under the direction of the Committee on Religious Education and Young People's Work, and with Rev. James H. Price as editor. It carries news of interest to all young people, and particularly those interested in the leadership training which the committee is setting up for the Tenth Annual Conference at Asilomar. The name of this publication is the "Cacoypa News." The first issue is an edition of five hundred copies, which have all been sent and delivered to the pastors and counsellors of young people's groups. Interesting items of news from local societies will be welcome at the Conference office.

Please Remit

Is it possible that we are still slipping in benevolence giving? Reports to the Commission on Missions indicate that during the first four months of the year there has been a considerable increase over the corresponding period a year ago. Surely we, who did so well in 1933, far better than the country as a whole, will not go down hill in 1934. Yet these facts should give us pause. The last issue of The Pacific showed a decline from January to April inclusive, of about \$500 in comparison with a like period a year ago. At the bottom of this column it will be noted that at the end of May we are nearly \$1,000 worse off than a year ago, which means that we slipped nearly \$500 in the one month of May. Before vacation time comes, will not pastors and treasurers see that remittances are forwarded to the office? We do not want to increase our borrowings, and thereby use more missionary money to pay interest.

	May 1934	Jan. 11- May 31 1934	Jan. 11- May 31 1933
Adin	—	48.08	10.52
Alameda	—	68.31	92.54
Alturas	3.55	13.00	—
Angel's Camp	—	25.00	20.00
Antioch	—	11.83	11.10
Auburn	—	—	12.00
Benicia	—	27.00	—
Berkeley	645.00	2,580.50	2,581.00
First North	—	128.00	338.80
Park	—	30.00	—
Campbell	25.00	150.00	105.00
Ceres	15.23	33.54	23.00
Cloverdale	4.01	29.77	41.64
Cotati	—	9.50	45.45
Crockett	—	12.50	43.05
Eureka	30.00	96.00	55.05
Fairfax	10.00	20.00	20.00
Ferndale	5.27	78.25	122.76
Fowler	—	10.00	10.00
Fresno, First	90.42	258.12	75.00
Pilgrim	—	9.25	—
Glen Ellen	—	1.00	—
Kenwood	—	8.70	16.13
Likely	—	1.32	—
Lodi, First	—	280.00	320.00
Martinez	—	32.50	22.10
Murphy	—	40.00	40.00
Oakland, Calvary	—	5.00	—
First	500.00	1,519.50	2,136.45
Fruitvale	—	1.00	4.00
Pilgrim	—	5.00	—
Plymouth	—	75.00	250.75
Oroville	—	20.00	100.00
Pacific Grove	—	47.50	153.55
Palo Alto	—	50.00	280.00
Paradise	—	30.00	38.00
Petaluma	13.75	293.32	210.57
Pittsburg	—	18.50	15.06
Porterville	11.00	19.50	—
Redwood City	—	100.00	135.00
Reedley	—	14.00	—
Ripon	15.00	32.50	20.00
Sacramento	11.55	147.05	240.00
Salida	—	—	7.00
San Carlos	—	—	—
San Francisco	—	10.00	—
Roth, Mission	16.50	87.13	125.00
First	62.65	278.33	505.00
Richmond	—	9.50	18.00
San Jose	135.00	265.00	310.00
San Leandro	19.82	74.45	—
San Rafael	20.00	31.50	—
Santa Cruz	—	165.00	251.00
Santa Rosa	13.20	69.35	73.99
Saratoga	—	125.00	100.00
Sebastopol	21.55	90.97	71.53
Sonoma	—	17.15	45.00
Soquel	5.00	15.00	10.00
Stockton	76.96	272.32	239.20
Suisun	—	47.00	30.00
Sunol	—	30.00	—
Sunnyvale	—	—	9.40
Tulare	60.00	65.00	70.00
Weaverville	15.00	3.00	13.75
Woodside	—	5.00	41.50
Reno, Nevada	39.63	89.45	98.63
Miscellaneous	—	171.07	211.00
	\$2,057.61	\$8,899.08	\$9,844.33

TOURIST

I read in a book where a man called Christ went about doing good. It is very disconcerting to me that I am so easily satisfied with just "going about."—George Small.

MINISTERS AND CHURCHES ON THE JOB

CALAVERAS COUNTY. Rev. John T. Munton closed his work in this parish May 23rd, and sailed to England for a visit with old friends and acquaintances. The church held a farewell service, and many tokens and words of appreciation were given for the splendid work which Mr. and Mrs. Munton have done during the past four years. All departments have grown and a wide circle of friends has been made. Before leaving he performed baptisms for ten children.

Immediately upon the completion of his work, Mr. Glenn Corbin, who graduated from the Pacific School of Religion early in May, moved onto the field and, with Mrs. Corbin, is now at work. Mr. Corbin was an assistant doing Young People's work at the First Congregational Church in Oakland during his seminary course. He spent two summers in missionary work in Montana. Mrs. Corbin has been an assistant in the Sunday schools of both First Church, Oakland, and First Church, San Francisco. They are remarkably well fitted for service in this great parish. Already plans are under foot for a Vacation Church School in Murphy. Later on, during the summer, such schools will be held at other points.

BERKELEY, NORTH. The Church School sponsored a Mothers' and Daughters' Banquet. A pantomime was presented in which an aged mother, seated in a rocking chair, saw in vision her own life acted before her from childhood to the arrival of her own grandchildren. Professor W. A. Oldfather of the University of California, was the speaker at an evening service of the Asilomar Club on a recent Sunday evening. The annual church picnic was held on June 2nd. Rev. E. W. Benedict is the pastor.

EUREKA. Rev. Charles H. Hudson is leading in a Saturday morning children's broadcast over the local radio station. "Uncle Charles," who we suspect is the pastor, is assisted by various characters, known as Aunt Blanche, Cousin Edith, Jimmy and Jane, Sally and Sue, and Curly Locks. Following a children's song there is Scripture, memory work, and a response used in the Sunday school.

OAKLAND, CALVARY. Increased interest is felt throughout the various departments of the church. The largest attendance for many months was present at a church luncheon during May. The young people helped to make the Mothers' Day service a real dedication to mothers. Memorial Day was observed by the sermon by the pastor, Mr. Cyril M. Hicks.

COTATI. Mr. and Mrs. Milton Gabrielson will begin a Vacation Church School on June 11th. This will continue for two weeks with four classes meeting every morning, and one class of young people and adults in the evening. A mixed quartet has been organized to furnish music for the church services.

PACIFIC GROVE, MAYFLOWER. A birthday dinner in honor of the pastor was given by the Women's Association, the guests being seated at their own birth-month tables. A mission study class held on a week night is meeting for a second six-weeks period. Rev. John H. Hunter is the pastor.

SAN FRANCISCO, FIRST. A Church Loyalty dinner marked the first anniversary of the coming of Rev. Jason Noble Pierce as pastor. Fifty more people flocked in than had been expected, creating a problem for the cook and waiters, but causing the pastor to smile with gratitude. Figures were presented showing substantial gains in attendance and financial income. More than a hundred new members have been added to the roll. Addresses were given by Mr. David H. Gill of Sacramento, who for a time was associated with Rev. C. J. Hawkins in the work of this church; by Superintendent Gill, and by the pastor. Additional pledges of service and money revealed the faith and loyalty of the people. Dr. Pierce continues to write and publish songs which the congregation uses eagerly.

CAMPBELL. On Whitsunday, twelve junior members were admitted to the church and a further training class commenced. This makes 28 high school members and 29 who are beginning high school soon, a total of 57 junior members, who will not be carried on the church roll until they are eighteen. One result of this work with the young people is to interest the families. In the words of the pastor, Rev. J. H. Bennett, "the youngsters of today are doing for the parents what the parents too often have failed to do for the children."

SAN FRANCISCO, CALVARY. Fine attendance at church has marked the first month of the pastorate of Rev. H. M. Hovagimian. Three members were received into the church on Pentecost. Twenty-eight new members were added to the missionary group at a special missionary service on May 27th. A May Festival was sponsored by the Christian Endeavor Society, with a total attendance of about 300, and an anniversary dinner with two hundred present welcomed the new minister.

SAN MATEO. Rev. Victor H. Morgan will supply the pulpit during the vacation of the pastor, Rev. George E. Brown. On Mothers' Day, fifteen new members were received into fellowship, eight of them on confession of faith. The cost of printing a very attractive bulletin is provided by a different family taking the responsibility each Sunday.

SANTA CRUZ. The pastor, Rev. Heber St. Clair Mahood, was chosen for the fourth successive year to give the Mothers' Day address at the public service held in the afternoon at the beach, with several thousand listeners. The men's Bible class has an enrollment of over fifty. Only once since September has the Sunday school attendance dropped below 200.

LOOMIS. Six additions have been made to the church, two by confession of faith. The women's organization has been divided into circles which has stimulated activity. The church was filled on Mothers' Day. Rev. H. J. Loken is the pastor.

ALAMEDA. Dr. and Mrs. Gail Cleland are taking their vacation and visiting former scenes of activity in New England. On their way back to the coast they will be in attendance at the General Council meeting in Oberlin, and the Kiwanis International Convention at Toronto.

SOQUEL. A dinner given by the men on May 4th balanced the church budget to date. The pastor emeritus, Rev. J. J. Kelly, preached one Sunday in April. Attendance at both morning and evening services has greatly improved during the past year. Memories of olden days were revived with the unveiling of a plaque in front of the church on May 20th. The plaque was made by Walter Coleman, a student of the grammar school, and carries the inscription, "Soquel Congregational Church, founded in 1863, continuous service." Old timers and members of the community and patriotic organizations participated in the service. Rev. Jessie Getty Heath is the pastor.

TRINITY COUNTY. A discussion on movies in the Young People's Society in Weaverville has created a great deal of interest. A monthly junior church has been formed, Rev. James D. Salmon, the pastor, taking as his theme for this service, "Heroes of Faith." At Lewiston, where there has been no Sunday school for years, a young woman has consented to start a club for boys and girls which will give some opportunity for religious education and expression. A Vacation Church School is under way at Weaverville, and another will be held at Hayfork later in the summer.

PETALUMA. Eight joined the church at a very impressive service held April 8th. Instead of the evening service an institute is being held. After a worship service the groups separate; the adults studying "Christianity in Industry." Business and labor men open the discussion. The young people, under the leadership of Miss Brown, dean of Girls at the high school, study "Today's Youth and Tomorrow's world." Later a social hour is enjoyed.

LODI. At the Mothers' and Daughters' Banquet, which was largely attended, one table was assigned to those families where three generations were present. A County Institute of the W. C. T. U. was held in the church during May. Rev. E. T. Sherman is pastor.

OAKLAND, FIRST. A farewell reception for Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Corbin was held at the conclusion of the evening service, May 13th. Mr. and Mrs. Corbin have undertaken work in Calaveras County.

AUBURN. The Auburn church is considering a reorganization which would put every one to work at some definite task. The pastor and the church are leading in their first union Daily Vacation Bible School that the community has ever had.

SAN LEANDRO, BROADMOOR. On May 13th the choir and minister broadcast the Vesper service over KROW from which many fine responses were received. Rev. J. H. McCartney, the pastor, is planning to attend the General Council at Oberlin.

BIG VALLEY. Rev. Westwood Wallace preached the baccalaureate sermon for the Adin, Bieber and Fall River high schools. The Modoc Young People's Conference will be held June 11th to 17th.

OAKLAND, FRUITVALE. Mr. James E. Boyd closed his work with this church on Mothers' Day. During the four years of his pastorate, 24 members united with the church, the property was improved, the Mothers' Club, the choir, and the Wetherby Social Club, have been formed. Rev. James B. Orr has been invited to serve as stated supply for three months. Mr. Orr has planned for the summer a program of special speakers for three out of the four Sundays of each month. At two of the Memorial Day exercises under the joint auspices of the Veterans' organizations at Lake Merritt, Mr. Orr offered the prayer and gave the address.

PITTSBURG. Rev. Huber Burr conducted a special financial campaign for this church and did it in such a splendid way that the trustees desire to have him again this coming autumn for a more carefully-planned campaign. Rev. C. C. Champlin, the pastor, regards it as the most painless way the church has ever found of raising its money. Mr. and Mrs. Champlin have gone to Annapolis, Maryland, to be present at the graduation of their son, Malcolm, from the Naval Academy. On their return trip they will visit friends and relatives and attend the General Council meeting at Oberlin.

OAKLAND, PLYMOUTH. Fifteen new members were received into the church at the May communion. Rev. Harry S. McCready, former pastor of the church, is to supply the pulpit for four Sundays in July. Sunday School department graduation was held on Sunday, June 3rd. A great crowd of children filled nearly half of the auditorium. Bibles were presented to all graduates of the Primary Department and plants were given to many score who had had perfect attendance. Rev. T. T. Giffen, the pastor, preached on "The Religion of Children."

FAIRFAX. Two fine families have been taken into the membership of the church, both now working in church and Sunday school. A class of high school girls is being formed under the leadership of a splendid young woman, who has had much experience. Rev. James W. Price, the pastor, is encouraged with progress in building a morning congregation and creating a church consciousness.

OROVILLE. Rev. E. G. Brinkmeyer, pastor, has been invited to deliver the high school baccalaureate sermon. Members of the Eastern Star attended the Mothers' Day service. At a birthday party for the ladies' organization, 155 were in attendance. Mrs. A. V. Dunn of Sacramento was the guest speaker.

SAN FRANCISCO, OCEAN VIEW. A group of young people made a trip on Memorial Day to Lodi for an outing with some of the Lodi young people. Mr. Stewart Locke is the pastor.



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WOMEN'S FEDERATION NEWS

Edited by Mrs. Chauncey J. Hawkins

No Executive Meetings in June or July

"ON THE MOVE"

This certainly describes what our President, Mrs. Frank J. Greene, has been doing the past few months. Accompanying Miss Ruth Seabury on her visits to various Association meetings, she has spoken and conducted seminars at Redwood City, Benicia, Lodi, Fresno, Porterville, Santa Rosa and Grass Valley. At most of these conferences there was a women's hour, where again Mrs. Greene and Miss Seabury spoke, carrying inspiration, giving valuable suggestions, and stimulating all to renewed effort.

At the beautiful Rainbow Luncheon in Sacramento in March, Mrs. Greene spoke on "The Seven Lamps of Devotion," which was most impressive and uplifting. At Grass Valley she took for her subject, "The Certain Sound," making a plea for a deeper spiritual life, systematic mission study in churches and Sunday schools, and a deepening of our own understanding as to what it is all about.

On August 24th, 25th and 26th, Mrs. Greene plans to attend and speak—doubtless twice each day as usual—at the fall visitation in Modoc County. If anyone thinks that the President of our Women's Federation holds purely an honorary position which consists largely in presiding at meetings, let her read Mrs. Greene's speaking schedule and ponder thereon.

Among the Hills

The Women's Federation is not only sponsoring a fascinating work in Trinity County this year, but a very remarkable young man is leading it, Rev. James Salmon. Up and down those almost impassable mountain roads his automobile goes as he holds services, conducts funerals, performs marriage ceremonies, organizes Boy Scout Clubs, in fact, carries on various lines of work that in the city would require half a dozen men.

It is nothing unusual for boys to walk six miles to and from Sunday school in Trinity County, and so scattered are the districts that two boys seldom live near each other, consequently there is small chance for play. What an opportunity Mr. Salmon has to take joy, comfort, and help into many homes in that beautiful scenic mountain area, and how privileged we should feel to be able to do anything in our power to make his work easier.

When asked what he especially needed he replied, "hymn books." Through Mrs. Frank J. Greene's efforts, a number were secured at once from Oroville, and sixty more have just been sent from the Petaluma Church. At the last Federation Executive Meeting, Mrs. Chester Marliave collected \$8.00, some of which is to be used for buying crayons, Sunday school cards, and Bible pictures, which Mr. Salmon greatly needs. The rest is to make it possible for Mr. Salmon to send a boy to Asilomar.

The Sacramento Church, through the aid of Mrs. A. V. Dunn and Mrs. H. N. Dyke has also secured and sent Sunday school supplies to him. Any church that can help in this work is asked to send directly to Rev. James D. Salmon, Weaverville, Calif., and if by freight PREPAID. Churches about the Bay region planning to send gifts may write Mrs. Marliave, who will arrange for their shipment.

R. C. A. for Women

Codes seem the proper thing for our country to adopt at present, so from our Congregational headquarters comes a code for our women. It is in reality a re-affirmation of our hitherto accepted, believed in, but not lived up to, creed, beliefs and aspirations. This code begins with the statement: "Every woman in every church in a United Women's Organization, and every woman intelligently at work in some line of church work."

The code was presented by Miss Helen Perkins and adopted wholeheartedly by all present. At Oroville, May 22nd, at the first anniversary of the Women's Association adoption of the circle plan, Mrs. A. V. Dunn of Sacramento represented Mrs. F. J. Greene at the luncheon and gave a splendid address, taking the code as the basis for her talk.

We Thank You

We are deeply grateful for Miss Ruth Seabury's visit to the Pacific coast. Her message was always varied, always provocative of deep thought and soul searching. Never did she mention the word depression or what it had meant to our missionaries. She only showed how character had been developed through it. She expressed always the keenest optimism and encouragement over a real religious awakening.

The following resolution was adopted in regard to her visit, but it expresses but feebly our very sincere and deep sense of gratitude for her works among us: "The Federation of Northern California Women acknowledges with deep appreciation Miss Seabury's visit to the coast."

"For Those Who Care"

Suggested topics for united prayer Wednesdays at 8:45 a. m., as well as private, in the "Fellowship of Those Who Care," are: "Our Christian Churches in China that especially need our loving thoughts at this time"; "Our Missionaries, who with Christian patience, courage and faith, have been 'carrying on' in spite of adverse conditions"; and in addition for "The two score or more who are now receiving cables to come home because of diminished income"; and at home, for "The Council meetings at Oberlin, which will be fraught with unusual significance at this time."

Miss Coxhead Resigns

Miss Mary Coxhead has been obliged to give up her Indian work in Modoc County in order to study, hence the equipment in Mission House, Alturas, has been placed in charge of the pastor at Big Valley Parish, to be used by the members of the Community House of Nubieber until the new church is built, then to become the property of that church. A resolution to this effect was adopted at the last Federation Executive Meeting.

Let us help in every way we can and show our appreciation for the fine work Mr. Salmon is doing single handed in his large, inaccessible field of 1918 square miles, with a scattered parish of 2,800 people.

American Board and Laymen's Report

In the May issue *The Pacific* printed a communication to the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions from the First Congregational Church of Berkeley, expressing gratitude for the progressive policies of the Board, and urging further action along the lines recommended in the Laymen's Inquiry. Almost as a direct reply comes the following action of the Prudential Committee at its meeting of April 10th, in the following words:

"Pursuant to the traditions of the American Board and to our immediate announcement when the Laymen's Report—Re-Thinking Missions—was published, we have continued the sympathetic study not only of the Report but of the Regional Reports by the Appraisal Commission, also the Fact-Finders Reports, and have encouraged the study at home and on the field of these principles and recommendations, seeking to solve the problems of their application.

"Resolved, that the Prudential Committee accept and adopt in substance the ten general principles laid down by the Appraisal Commission of the Laymen's Inquiry on pages 325-9 of Re-Thinking Missions and affirm 'its determination to do what is needful toward realizing these objectives without counting the cost of personal and denominational advantage.'

"Resolved, that we set up a Committee of Five which shall be definitely charged with the development of administrative unity and co-operation on each of our mission fields.

"In presenting this statement we invite the enthusiastic endorsement and co-operation of our constituency at home and abroad. We realize that it will take wisdom, courage, patience and prayerful co-operation of the different boards, the mission and the Christian communities on the fields, to effect the complete realization of these objectives."

ONE THE LORD CAN DEPEND ON

Norah Tamele, Chindau young woman, a pioneer teacher in the bush schools and a graduate of our mission school, was told her school must close because of lack of funds. She was caring for several unfortunate persons, and when word came all her dependents joined in prayer. "Dear God," pleaded one old heathen woman, "I will be satisfied to eat corn chaff without any greens if only You will help Norah keep her school." A few days later word came that with another reduction in her already meagre salary, Norah could keep her school. That night the old lady ate corn chaff without any relish, explaining, "I want to show God I meant what I said."

RALLY IN ALAMEDA

At the Christian Endeavor Convention, which will be held in Alameda, June 23rd to 27th, there will be rallies on the opening day for the various denominations. The Congregational delegates will meet Saturday, June 23rd, from 2:00 to 4:00 o'clock at our Alameda Congregational Church. The meeting will be in charge of the East Bay Cacopya, for which Mr. Lawton D. Harris of First Church, Oakland, is serving as Counsellor.

Re-Thinking Home Missions

The Home Missions Council has recently published an exhaustive volume entitled: "Home Missions Today and Tomorrow." It has frequently been referred to as the "Rethinking of Home Missions." This book is now available in paper covers at 35c a copy, which affords an excellent opportunity to pastors and mission study groups. The Conference office is prepared to order these books at that price.

Lectures by H. S. Tuttle

Friends of Rev. H. S. Tuttle will be interested to learn of a series of lectures which he is prepared to give on Creative Personality. These lectures include such themes as "Constructive Discipline," "Education for Social Progress," "The Discovery of Happiness." Mr. Tuttle, who has been Associate Professor of Education at the University of Oregon for the past eight years, has published a number of books and many periodical articles.

"I GIVE AND BEQUEATH—"

(With apologies to K. C. B.)

WHEN I have
SHUFFLED OFF this
MORTAL COIL and gone to
MY REWARD, and
KNOW as I am
KNOWN, I have
A NOTION, that I will be
A LOT more
HAPPY, if I have left
A LITTLE something to some
GOOD CAUSE, and helped
MY CHURCH keep up
ITS WORK, of doing good
UP AND DOWN, and that
I WOULD feel
KINDER SNEAKIN' to have
FORGOT THE ONE who
LOVED ME MOST and
HIS CHURCH,
AND ALL, so I guess
I'LL WRITE IT now—
MY WILL.
I THANK YOU.

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